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Application of: Julio PIMENTEL

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Group Art Unit: 1641

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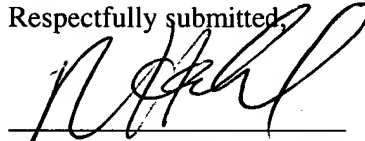
Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents for filing in the above-referenced application:

1. Postcard
2. Substitute Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Respectfully submitted,

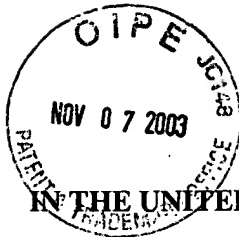


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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed October 20, 2003. Applicants respectfully requests entry of the enclosed Substitute Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116, which has the word "and" underlined in claim 1 of the Appendix. Undersigned counsel wishes to thank Examiner Gabel for indicating that this correction addresses the issue raised in the Office Communication.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7 and 8, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend claims 1, 2, and 6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for regulating the body weight of an animal, comprising: feeding to an animal a fat-containing diet and an effective amount of a liposome-encapsulated immunoglobulin against lipase effective to inhibit body-weight gain.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the immunoglobulin is an avian antibody.

6. (Amended) A mammalian food composition comprising fat and an effective amount of a liposome-encapsulated immunoglobulin against lipase and effective to inhibit body-weight gain.